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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 217** HLS 13RS 560

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Local Municipal and Parish Authorities		
Subject: Fine Limitations on Automated Traffic Violations		Analyst: Julie Betz

TRAFFIC/VIOLATIONS

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Requires voter approval prior to the imposition of civil fines for traffic violations based on evidence captured by automated traffic enforcement systems

Purpose of Bill: This measure will require voter approval before the governing authority of a parish or municipality may impose a civil fine for a traffic violation based on evidence captured by an automated traffic enforcement system.

EXPENDITURES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	\$0
Annual Total	\$0					\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

Per an official with the Secretary of State’s office, although the bill states that an election shall be held for the purpose of the measure, it is unlikely that a special election would be scheduled solely for the purpose of this measure. The item would most likely be included in a general election ballot at no additional cost.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Beginning in fiscal year 2015, this measure may decrease local fund revenue by an undetermined amount.

Per this measure, municipalities and parishes may continue to collect traffic fines based on evidence captured by automated traffic enforcement systems until 7/1/2014, after which a vote will determine if the fines will continue to be collected.

The Baton Rouge City-Parish Finance Department estimates that if voters do not approve the use of automated traffic enforcement systems, the reduction in fines may result in a loss of \$6,552,000 over the next five years.

The Lafayette Consolidated Government Finance Department estimates that if voters do not approve the use of automated traffic enforcement systems, the reduction in fines may result in a loss of \$4,379,000 over the next five years.